

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Leslie A. Wong
STEPHEN A. SCHROEDER ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1761
Application No.: 09/903,710)	
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Filed: July 13, 2001)	
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For: METHOD OF PREPARING LIQUID)	
COMPOSITIONS FOR DELIVERY	:	
OF N-[N-(3,3-DIMETHYLBUTYL)-)	
L- α -ASPARTYL]-L-	:	
PHENYLALANINE 1-METHYL)	
ESTER IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE	:	
SYSTEMS)	November 20, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application, please
amend the claims as follows and consider the following remarks.